September 5, 2006

Mr. Dan Thelan Lakeland Oil & Tire P. O. Box 718 Cloquet, MN 55720

RE: Petroleum Tank Release Site File Closure

Site: Junction Oasis, 1711 Highway 210, Carlton, MN 55718

Site ID#: LEAK 00005709

Dear Mr. Thelan:

We are pleased to let you know that the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) staff has determined that your investigation and/or cleanup has adequately addressed the petroleum tank release at the site listed above. Based on the information provided, the MPCA staff has closed the release site file.

Closure of the file means that the MPCA staff does not require any additional investigation and/or cleanup work at this time or in the foreseeable future. Please be aware that file closure does not necessarily mean that all petroleum contamination has been removed from this site. However, the MPCA staff has concluded that any remaining contamination, if present, does not appear to pose a threat to public health or the environment under current conditions.

The MPCA reserves the right to reopen this file and to require additional investigation and/or cleanup work if new information, changing regulatory requirements or changed land use make additional work necessary. If you or other parties discover additional contamination (either petroleum or nonpetroleum) that was not previously reported to the MPCA, Minnesota law requires that the MPCA be immediately notified.

You should understand that this letter does not release any party from liability for the petroleum contamination under Minn. Stat. ch. 115C or any other applicable state or federal law. In addition, this letter does not release any party from liability for nonpetroleum contamination, if present, under Minn. Stat. ch. 115B, the Minnesota Superfund Law.

Inter City Oil Company (ICO) should consider taking over ownership of the monitoring wells to enable them to monitor the site, in the event of another release. If ICO isn't interested in taking over the monitoring wells for this site, they should be abandoned in accordance with the Minnesota Department of Health Well Code, Chapter 4725. If you choose to keep the monitoring wells, the Minnesota Department of Health will continue to assess a maintenance fee for each well.

Please note that as a result of performing the requested work you may be eligible to apply to the Petroleum Tank Release Compensation Fund (Petrofund) for partial reimbursement of the costs you have incurred in investigating and cleaning up this petroleum tank release. The Petrofund is administered by the Petroleum Tank Release Compensation Board (Petro Board) and the Minnesota Department of Commerce. To learn more about who is eligible for reimbursement, the type of work that is eligible for reimbursement, and the amount of reimbursement available, please contact Petrofund staff at 651-297-1119 or 1-800-638-0418.

If future development of this property or the surrounding area is planned, it should be assumed that petroleum contamination may still be present. If petroleum contamination is encountered during future development work, the MPCA staff should be notified immediately.

For specific information regarding petroleum contamination that may remain at this leak site, please call the Petroleum Remediation Program File Request Program at 651/297-8499. The MPCA fact sheet *Request to Bill for Services Performed* must be completed prior to arranging a time for file review.

Thank you for your response to this petroleum tank release and for your cooperation with the MPCA to protect public health and the environment. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please call me at (651) 297-8598 or the site hydrogeologist Jim Pennino at (651) 296-7399. If you are calling long distance, you may reach the MPCA by calling (800) 657-3864.

Sincerely,

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